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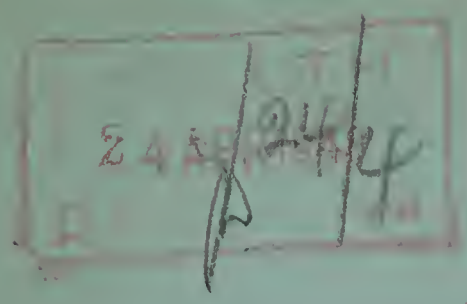

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ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL	***326 Beds**
BLAGRAVE BRANCH	**64 „**
"GREENLANDS" (Paying Patients)	**23 „**
	413 Beds

*** Including 40 beds held in reserve under E.M.S. Scheme.**

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Orthopist :
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Lloyds Bank Limited, Reading.

Auditors :
Blake, Allnatt & Craddock.
Chartered Accountants.

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Miss W. J. Pavier, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Honorary Medical Staff, 1948:

Consulting Surgeon:

W. B. Secretan, M.B. (Lond.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.).

Consulting Ophthalmic Surgeon:

E. A. Dorrell, F.R.C.S. (Eng.).

Consulting Obstetrician and Gynaecologist:

C. B. Baxter, O.B.E., T.D., M.B., Ch.B. (Ed.), F.R.C.S. (Ed.), M.R.C.O.G.

Consulting Aural Surgeon:

L. Powell, M.B., B.Ch. (Cantab.).

Consulting Adviser to the Orthopaedic Department:

G. R. Girdlestone, M.A., B.Ch. (Oxon), F.R.C.S. (Eng.).

Consulting Dental Surgeon:

D. T. G. Dickens, L.D.S.

Physicians:

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L. M. Jennings, M.D. (Lond.), M.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.P.H. (Eng.).

Surgeons:

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G. L. Bohn, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.).

Ophthalmic Surgeon:

G. T. W. Cashell, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), F.R.C.S. (Ed.).

Obstetrician and Gynaecologist:

F. E. Wheeler, M.B.E., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.).

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R. H. Hunt Williams, M.B., B.Ch. (Cantab.), F.R.C.S. (Edin.).

Assistant Physician:

J. G. Bird, B.A., M.D., B.Ch., B.A.O. (Dub.).
J. J. Kempton, M.D., Ch.B. (Bristol), M.R.C.P. (Lond.), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), D.C.H.

Assistant Surgeons:

R. G. Reid, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.).
C. Latto, M.B., Ch.B. (St. And.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.).

Assistant Ophthalmic Surgeon:

E. W. Dorrell, M.A., M.B., B.Ch. (Cantab.), F.R.C.S. (Ed.), D.O.M.S.

Anaesthetist:

*B. P. Hill, M.B., Ch.B. (Vict.), D.A. (Eng.).
T. R. M. Bristow, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.S. (Lond.), D.A. (Eng.)—Acting.

Radiologist:

E. H. P. Cave, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), D.M.R.E. (Cantab.).

Dermatologist:

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Physician in Charge of the Physiotherapy Department:

A. H. Price, B.A., M.D., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Dub.).

Psychiatrist:

W. Ogden, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.P.M. (Eng.).

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Dental Surgeon:

H. C. Goadby, L.D.S.
H. M. Archibald, L.D.S., R.C.S.

** On service with H.M. Forces.*

Medical Staff

Registrars:

Aural - - - S. F. Logan Dahne, M.A., M.B., B.Ch. (Cantab.), M.R.C.S.
Assistant Medical - J. J. Davis, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.).
(Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.).

Assistant Anaesthetists:

M. F. Murphy, L.R.C.P. (I.), L.R.C.S. (I.).
Dorothea Taylor, M.D., B.S. (Lond.).
J. V. Shemilt, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.A. Eng.).
M. S. Howe, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.A. (Eng.).

Clinical Assistants:

Ophthalmic - - E. M. MacLachlan, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.).
K. Fawssett, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.O.M.S.
Aural - - - E. F. Barnardo, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), F.R.C.S. (Edin.).
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C. V. Gledhill, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.).
G. M. F. Bisset, M.B., Ch.B. (Edin.).
Pathological - - J. E. Beatty, M.B., B.Ch. (Dub.).
G. A. Jackson, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.).
Dermatological - P. W. F. McIlvenna, L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S. (Edin.).
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Violet Fraser, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.).
Obstetrical and Gynaecological: R. A. Ratcliff, M.D., B.Ch. (Cantab.).

Radiotherapy Department:

Director:

W. G. Evans, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.M.R.T. (Eng.).

Accident Room Surgeon:

T. Rowntree, M.B., Ch.B. (Cantab.), M.B., B.S. (Lond.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.)

Anaesthetist:

K. Bryn Thomas, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.A. (Eng.).

Assistant Radiologist:

J. D. Rankin, M.B., Ch.B. (Glasgow).

Pathological Department:

Director:

J. Mills, M.D., Ch.B. (Vict.).

Bacteriologist:

Vacant.

Bio-Chemist:

C. A. Mawson, Ph.D., M.Sc. (Vict.).

Assistant Pathologist:

I. A. Blackmore, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.).

Medical Officer in Charge of the V.D. Department:

H. S. Le Marquand, M.D. (Lond.), F.R.C.P. (Lond.).

Refraction Officer:

J. C. Hill, B.M., B.Ch. (Oxon), D.O.M.S.

Resident Medical Staff:

Resident Surgical Officer—K. H. Taylor, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.).
Senior Resident Officer, Gynaecological Department.
Senior Resident Officer, Aural Department.
House Physician.
Resident Anaesthetist.
Resident, Blagrave Branch.
First House Surgeon.
Second House Surgeon.
Casualty Officer.
House Surgeon to Obstetrical and Gynaecological Departments.
House Surgeon to Ophthalmic Department.
Resident Assistant Pathologist.

The 109th
Annual Report of the Board of Management
of the
ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL

For the Year ended 31st December, 1947.

The Board of Management have the honour to present their 109th Annual Report for the year ended 31st December, 1947.

On 5th July, 1948, the provisions of the National Health Service Act come into operation and on that date responsibility for the Hospital Service throughout the country passes to H.M. Government.

The Regional Hospital Boards are already established and Management Committees are now being formed to undertake the duties allocated to them under the Act.

As it is doubtful whether a report covering the period 1st January to 30th June 1948, will be published, the Board takes this opportunity of thanking all those who have continued to subscribe to the funds of the Hospital and so ensure that the service rendered to the public continues unimpaired until the "Appointed Day."

Board of Management.—Mr. E. R. Jackson and Mr. W. H. Bale, representatives of the Reading County Borough Council, retired during the year and were succeeded by Mr. T. S. W. Smart and Mr. A. Lovell.

Dr. L. M. Jennings succeeded Dr. J. G. Bird as representative of the Honorary Medical Staff.

Vacancies were filled by the election of the following new members :—

Miss I. J. Elliston-Clifton	(Berkshire County Council).
Col. H. G. Peake	(Berkshire County Council).
Mrs. Cashell	(Reading).
Mr. A. Cusden	(Reading).

Honorary Medical Staff.—*Consulting Staff.*—The deaths of Dr. Gordon Lambert, Honorary Consulting Physician, and Mr. R. P. Brooks, Honorary Consulting Ophthalmic Surgeon, are recorded with sincere regret. Their services to the Hospital were outstanding and will long be remembered.

Mr. Leslie Powell was elected Honorary Consulting Aural Surgeon on his retirement from the active staff. Mr. Powell had been in charge of the Aural Department of the Hospital since 1920 and in recording their sincere appreciation of his valuable services, the Board are glad to know that the benefit of his advice will still be available.

Mr. R. H. Hunt Williams has been appointed Honorary Aural Surgeon.

Mr. A. N. Hooper resigned from the post of Honorary Obstetrician and Gynaecologist and has been succeeded by Mr. F. E. Wheeler, M.B.E. The Board record their high appreciation of the services rendered to the Hospital by Mr. Hooper for many years.

Mr. R. G. Reid and Mr. C. Latto have been appointed Honorary Assistant Surgeons, and Mr. H. M. Archibald, Honorary Dental Surgeon.

Dr. B. P. Hill, Honorary Anaesthetist, left for service with the Forces in June. During his absence Dr. T. R. M. Bristow will act as Honorary Anaesthetist.

Dr. M. S. Howe has been appointed Honorary Assistant Anaesthetist.

Medical Staff.—The following appointments have been made during the year :—

Director, Radiotherapy Department ...	Dr. W. G. Evans.
Assistant, Medical Department ...	Dr. J. J. Kempton.
Accident Room Surgeon	Mr. T. Rowntree.
Anaesthetist	Dr. K. Bryn Thomas.
Assistant Radiologist	Dr. J. A. Rankin.

The following have been appointed Clinic Assistants to the Out-Patients Department:—

Medical Department	Dr. C. V. Gledhill and Dr. G. L. F. Bisset.
Dermatological Department ...	Dr Violet Fraser.

Administrative and Other Staff.—The Board is much indebted to Lady Hilbery for so kindly taking charge of the Occupational Therapy at the Blagrave Branch.

During the year Rev. C. Bourne resigned from the post of Chaplain to the Hospital on his appointment as Rural Dean of Reading.

Rev. E. J. Willis, Free Church Chaplain, also resigned on leaving Reading in June, and is succeeded by Rev. G. P. Smailes.

Miss M. Rhys resigned from the post of Catering Officer, and Mr. C. E. Buck has been appointed to succeed her.

Mr. F. R. Elkins left the Pharmaceutical Staff on his appointment as Chief Pharmacist at Worthing Hospital. The vacancy has been filled by the appointment of Mr. G. E. Herd.

Housing of Staff.—During the year the Board has purchased two properties which have been re-constructed to provide additional accommodation for Nurses until the extensions to the existing Nurses Home can be carried out :—

Orwell House, Craven Road	...	18 bedrooms.
56, London Road ...	...	10 bedrooms.

In addition three houses have been purchased and leased to members of the administrative and technical staffs on service agreements.

The accommodation provided at Joyce Grove, Nettlebed, by arrangement with the Governors of St. Mary's Hospital, London, has been used to house the Preliminary Training School for Nurses.

The marked increase in the number of nurses available for the staffing of the Wards has resulted in a corresponding increase in the number of beds available and the number of in-patients treated throughout the year.

Extensions and Structural Alterations.—Throughout the year work on the new block in which the Radiotherapy Department will be temporarily housed has continued. While every effort has been made to speed up the work progress has been regrettably slow and the building is not yet finished.

The re-construction of Sidmouth Ward has now been completed. Again, the modernisation which it was hoped to carry out within a short period has extended over many months, owing to the acute shortage of labour and materials. The modernisation of Benyon Ward is now in hand.

Acting under the instructions of the Board of Management, the Building and Planning Sub-Committee have considered schemes and plans submitted by the Architect for the following :—

1. Nurses Home. Provision of 104 additional bed and bed-sitting rooms and new Training School for Nurses.
2. Modernisation of West Ward.
3. Hut (concrete and brick) for Orthoptic Clinic and School.
4. Huts (concrete and brick) for the following Out-Patient Clinics :—Ophthalmic, Otolaryngological, Gynaecological and Physiotherapeutic.
5. Pathological Laboratory—Extension.
6. Provision of additional boiler and generator to provide heating, lighting and hot water services for items 1 and 4.
7. Re-conditioning of roads, pathways and forecourt.

Items 1, 2, 3 and 4 have received the sanction of the Board, and are now awaiting approval by the Ministry of Health.

Contributory Scheme.—Notwithstanding the fact that the Act makes no provision for the continuance of Contributory Schemes, the Royal Berkshire and Associated Hospital Scheme has, through the loyalty of its members, continued its invaluable support. To the members of the Scheme Committee and all the voluntary workers concerned, the Board convey their warmest thanks and place on record their high appreciation of their work. The Annual Meeting of Contributory Scheme workers was again held, by invitation of the Board, at "Olympia." A large number attended and were much interested in the address by Mr. G. T. W. Cashell, F.R.C.S., on "Why We Wear Glasses." The Chairman and representatives of the Board expressed their high appreciation and thanks to the members for the wholehearted support they had given to the Hospital for many years.

Hospital Car Service.—Notwithstanding the suspension of the basic petrol ration, this service has again proved of inestimable value to the large number of patients who, owing to disability and limited means, would otherwise be prevented from attending the Hospital.

During 1947 1,906 journeys were undertaken, involving a total of 30,221 miles.

Thanks.—The Board record their sincere thanks for the services rendered by the following :—

Reading University Students' Union, who collected £1,355 16s. 10d. as a result of "Rag Day"; Lady Palmer and the Ball Committee, who raised the record sum of £672 16s. 1d.; The British Red Cross Society, Voluntary Aid Detachments, for once again servicing the Canteen in the Out-Patients' Department; Mrs. Mackintosh and the Reading Townswomen's Guild, for the circulation of library books to the patients; the Hospital Car Service and the drivers who gave invaluable help by transporting patients to and from the Hospital; Mrs. Benyon, for organising Egg Weeks, and to the many helpers throughout the area served by the Hospital, whose efforts resulted in the collection of 7,688 eggs and a sum of £130 12s. 0d.; Messrs. Huntley and Palmers and Messrs. R. W. Alder, for presenting Christmas Cake for the patients; the members of the Ladies' Linen League, whose collection last year amounted to £319 15s. 4d; and the League of Remembrance, which has again rendered very valuable service in making dressings and bandages for the Hospital.

In addition, the Board once again record their thanks to all those who by their voluntary service or generous financial help have contributed to the welfare of the patients, and to all individuals and organisations who have so readily continued to support the Hospital during the past year.

In conclusion the Board record their appreciation of the services of the Honorary Medical Staff, and of the Nursing, Administrative and other staffs for their loyal co-operation.

C. B. KRABBÉ,
Chairman.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year ending 31*st December*, 1947.

I have pleasure in presenting, probably for the last time, the Annual Accounts for the Financial Year ended 31st December, 1947. The report for the year ended December, 1946, included an estimate of Ordinary Expenditure for 1947 of £140,000, which you will see from the Income and Expenditure Account has been considerably exceeded. However, when comparing the Ordinary Expenditure with that of the previous year, it must be understood that the Expenditure on Greenlands Private Patients' Block of £8,846 has been included this year in the General Income and Expenditure Account. The estimate, therefore, for the previous year has been exceeded by almost £27,700—19·78%.

INCOME.

Voluntary Gifts have kept up remarkably well notwithstanding the National Health Service Act, 1946. Subscriptions, you will notice, are £1,046 down, mainly due to the loss of three large subscriptions, and the reduction in the amount of Income Tax recovered on covenanted subscriptions.

The following special donations are most gratefully acknowledged, together with many small amounts too numerous to mention :—

	£	s.	d.
Reading University Students Union Rag, 1947	1,355	16	10
Royal Berkshire Hospital Annual Ball	672	16	1
Forest Division of Berks, Justices of	175	0	0
Curzon Club	110	2	0
Windsor State Apartments	100	0	0

Receipts on account of Services rendered to Patients.—The increase in this sub-heading is mainly due to the inclusion of Greenlands receipts, amounting to £7,344.

Public Authorities.—This increase is due to the provisions of the Education Act, 1944, whereby payments for the treatment of school children, both In and Out-patients, are now the responsibility of the Local Authorities. Claims have been made this year, back-dated to April, 1945, amounting to almost £22,000. Claims under the Government Emergency Hospital Scheme and the State Grant towards Rushcliffe rates of salaries are no longer being made separately in view of the financial assistance given to the Hospital by the Ministry of Health. An estimated figure has been included.

Invested Property.—The deficit when comparing this year and last year has occurred through the sale of all Free Securities.

EXPENDITURE.

After allowing for Greenlands Expenditure of £8,846, total Ordinary Expenditure has increased this year by £38,717, which is 30·02% above last year. Prices have risen in nearly every commodity, but when reviewing comparative figures in the Income and Expenditure Account, it must be borne in mind that many more beds have been available this year, resulting in a larger consumption of provisions, drugs, dressing, etc. The natural tendency is for the Hospital Medical Staff to make use of modern advances in medicine, which entails the use of special drugs involving considerable additional expense. Many Instruments which have been on order for a considerable time are now being delivered after long delays. Salaries and Wages have continued to rise during the year. We have been fortunate in securing additional Nursing Staff, so that the increase in Salaries and Wages is not only due to increased rates, but also to the cost of additional Staff. Printing, Stationery, Telephones and Insurance have all been subject to increased cost during the year. Although these figures show an exceptionally high increase in nearly every category, I am satisfied that every possible economy has been made without reducing the standard of comfort or treatment of the patients. My Finance Committee have reviewed the Expenditure with Income monthly throughout the year. The position as shown in the Income and Expenditure Account, therefore, was anticipated.

In addition, £26,440 has been spent on account of Extensions and Structural Alterations, the purchase of additional property for the housing of Nursing and other Staff, and the renewals and improvement of existing Equipment.

The large deficit shown in the Income and Expenditure Account of £46,006, to which must be added Capital Expenditure of £26,440, is clearly reflected in the Balance Sheet, and it will be readily seen that the large Cash and Security resources of the Hospital have been liquidated in meeting these items. The Free Cash and Security position at the end of 1946 was in the region of £65,000. In 1947 the Cash balance at the Bank had been exhausted, the Free Securities realised and the Cash spent, and an overdraft at the Bank of £3,596 incurred. In addition the Ministry of Health have given the Hospital special financial assistance.

The cost of treating Road Traffic cases during the past year was £2,211, the amount recovered was £2,201 (£1,880 under the Road Traffic Acts and £321 from the Contributory Scheme).

The average cost per In-patient has been reduced from £22 8s. 7d. to £21 5s. 2d., although the Daily Cost has increased from £1 4s. 6d. per day to £1 7s. 7d. (The percentage of Contributory Scheme In-patients was 50·05.)

The average cost per Out-patient has increased from 17s. 5d. to £1 3s. 1d., and the cost of each attendance from 3s. 4d. to4s. 7d. (The percentage of Contributory Scheme Out-patients was 67·60.)

Greenlands.—Due to the heavy increase in the cost of maintaining patients, the fee at Greenlands has been increased from £8 18s. 6d. to £12 0s. 0d. per week for single rooms, and from £5 15s. 6d. to £11 0s. 0d. per week for double rooms. The new charges include the use of theatre and free pathological service, etc. Previously these items were charged as extras, and amounted to an average of £2 14s. 4d. per patient, or £1 13s. 8d. per patient per week. As previously stated, the whole of the working of Greenlands has been included in the General Fund.

The Out-patients' Department Canteen Account has been transferred, with many of the unexpended Income balances of Special Funds, to the General Fund.

The Convalescent Fund Account shows an excess of Expenditure of £73 0s. 0d., after spending £21 0s. 0d. as relief to Patients, £1,147 on Surgical Appliances, £36 on the maintenance of Patients in Convalescent Homes, and £72 on Travelling Expenses.

The Laundry Account shows a decrease in the cost per 100 pieces washed from 15s. 11d. to 15s. 2d. The average number of pieces washed weekly has increased by 2,892.

Land, Buildings and Equipment.—The Professional Valuation of Land, Buildings and Equipment made in 1945 has now been brought into the Accounts, creating a Reserve on Revaluation of Land, Buildings and Equipment of £377,755, which amount can be written down if prices tend to deflate. A list is given on page 12 of the Report showing Land, Buildings, Equipment and Outside Properties valued separately, amounting to £659,312 0s. 6d.

I would particularly like to stress that every effort is being made, where materials and labour are available, to continue improving the Service, Equipment and Buildings of the Hospital.

In conclusion, may I thank all the benefactors of the Hospital for the splendid way in which they have continued their support during 1947, and for their efforts in the past, without which the many improvements in the services of our Hospital would not have been possible. I am sure even after July 5th, which we understand to be the appointed day, Personal Support will still be necessary in some form. Financial Support will also be necessary to give new Hospital Management Committees "free money" to spend on special purposes, other than the maintenance of patients.

It will still be possible for those who cherish an intimate association with a particular Hospital to ensure that their financial support goes to benefit this Hospital and no other. A suggestion as to how this may be done is shown on page 11.

H. H. WILDER,

Hon. Treasurer.

SUGGESTED FORM FOR A GIFT TO THE ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL FOR USE AFTER THE APPOINTED DAY.

BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Royal Berkshire Hospital Welfare and Comforts Fund Committee the sum of £ : : , free of duty, and upon trust, to apply the Capital and Income of the said sum for such purposes, other than general maintenance connected with the said Hospital, as the Committee shall in their discretion determine.

.....

GIFT—DONATION OR SUBSCRIPTION.

This Donation/Subscription is made to the Welfare and Comforts Fund Committee of the Royal Berkshire Hospital, in trust, to apply the Capital and Income of the said sum (or property), for such purposes other than general maintenance, connected with the said Hospital:

*(a) as the Committee shall in their discretion determine.

*(b) for the following specific purpose,.....
.....

.....

* Delete that which is not applicable.

Income and Expenditure Account for

EXPENDITURE.

1946 £		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	ORDINARY.			
	I. PROVISIONS.			
2,149	1. Meat		2,514 0 0	
1,770	2. Fish and Poultry		2,853 9 0	
1,250	3. Butter, Bacon, etc.		1,331 14 9	
604	4. Eggs		761 18 7	
2,835	5. Milk		3,050 19 6	
752	6. Bread and Flour		1,429 10 10	
1,804	7. Groceries		2,395 12 7	
1,921	8. Vegetables and Fruit		4,419 2 5	
481	9. Malt Liquors and Ice		657 10 1	
13,566				19,413 17 9
	II. SURGERY AND DISPENSARY.			
3,811	1. Drugs, Chemicals, etc.		6,761 16 5	
1,659	2. Dressings and Bandages		2,484 12 11	
5,934	3. Instruments and Appliances		7,884 9 1	
23	4. Wines and Spirits		38 16 10	
1,832	5. Salaries of Dispensing Staff		2,287 19 9	
1,383	6. Sundries		1,341 19 4	
14,642				20,799 14 4
	III. DOMESTIC.			
2,611	1. Renewals and Repairs of Furniture, Bedding, Linen, etc.		4,045 3 6	
4,940	2. Laundry		6,060 15 1	
957	3. Water		830 12 0	
502	4. Cleaning and Chandlery		475 15 6	
	5. Fuel and Lighting—			
8,914	Coal and Coke	10,472 13 8		
1,316	Gas	1,576 3 9		
423	Electricity	413 18 4		
12	Oil, Wood, etc.	22 7 9		
10,665			12,485 3 6	
1,016	6. Uniforms		1,363 11 11	
147	7. Sundries		263 18 7	
20,838				25,525 0 1
	IV. SALARIES AND WAGES.			
5,842	1. Medical		6,859 5 7	
23,034	2. Nursing		32,917 12 3	
10,872	3. Other Officers and Employees		15,699 6 9	
3,490	4. Mechanics		4,482 13 8	
4,529	5. Porters		5,539 4 8	
13,167	6. Domestic		20,115 18 10	
993	7. Pensions		1,182 15 5	
61,927				86,796 17 2
	V. MISCELLANEOUS.			
2,165	1. Printing, Stationery, Postages, Telephones, etc.		2,748 19 5	
345	2. Advertisements		830 2 3	
499	3. Insurances		884 1 5	
830	4. Gardens		1,337 8 9	
1,148	5. Ambulance Maintenance		1,453 19 7	
474	6. Sundries		1,043 19 9	
5,461				8,298 11 2
	VI. ADMINISTRATION.			
4,737	1. Salaries and Wages		5,893 9 3	
442	2. Printing, Stationery, Postages, Telephones, etc.		806 2 8	
—	3. Advertisements		2 17 0	
2	4. Law Charges		98 2 9	
44	5. Auditors' Fees		144 18 0	
283	6. Sundries		298 9 6	
5,508				7,243 19 2
	VII. ESTABLISHMENT.			
4,654	Renewals and Repairs to Buildings and Plant			5,977 19 4
	VIII. FINANCE.			
—	1. Bank Interest and Charges		—	
25	2. Trustees' Fees		25 0 0	
979	3. Appeals		637 19 1	
49	4. Rent		45 18 6	
1,315	5. Rates and Taxes		1,761 19 8	
2,368				2,470 17 3
128,964			**ORDINARY EXPENDITURE**	176,526 16 3
	EXTRAORDINARY.			
	Agreed Compensation Claim			1,500 0 0
				£178,026 16 3

the Year ended 31st December, 1947.

INCOME.

1946. £		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	ORDINARY.			
	I. VOLUNTARY GIFTS..			
6,047	(*a*) Annual Subscriptions		5,001 11 9	
9,703	Donations		5,501 12 5	
1,305	Box Collections		978 10 0	
987	Church Collections		825 19 0	
175	Parades		159 8 9	
344	Gifts in Kind		232 3 0	
18,561				12,699 4 11
6,881	(*b*) *From Public Authorities—Berks, Bucks and Oxon Regional Council*			6,345 0 0
	II. RECEIPTS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES RENDERED TO PATIENTS.			
	(*a*) *From Patients and their Societies—*			
4,510	In-patients (R.B.H.)	5,607 5 10		
—	,, (Greenlands)	7,343 14 6		
1,199	Out-patients	1,436 16 9		
4,103	Pathological Fees	2,674 1 2		
9,812			17,062 1 3	
	Royal Berkshire and Associated Hospitals Contributory Scheme—			
21,797	Country	18,504 18 3		
19,000	Reading	19,075 19 0		
40,797			37,580 17 3	
10	Other Contributory Schemes		9 11 8	
664	Reading Workpeople's Fund		872 17 0	
4	Approved Societies		– – –	
1,676	Road Traffic Cases	1,880 9 11		
251	*Less* Paid to Honorary Medical Staff.. ..	282 0 0		
1,425			1,598 9 11	
52,712				57,123 17 1
9,981	(*b*) From Public Authorities		38,574 17 11	
2,022	*Less* Paid to Honorary Medical Staff		7,329 8 1	
7,959				31,245 9 10
13,632	(*c*) Government Emergency Hospital Scheme		9,629 0 0	
1,267	*Less* Paid to Honorary Medical Staff		260 13 6	
12,365				9,368 6 6
610	(*d*) Other Receipts		.. ..	347 2 0
—	(*e*) Out-Patients' Canteen		.. ..	547 16 11
	III. INVESTED PROPERTY.			
4,446	Interest, Dividends, etc.		3,277 4 8	
887	Rents		415 0 8	
5,333				3,692 5 4
	IV. STATE GRANT.			
5,266	Grant towards Rushcliffe Rates of Salaries for Nurses and Midwives			5,768 0 0
110,037	**ORDINARY INCOME**			127,137 2 7
	EXTRAORDINARY.			
8,454	Free Legacies			2,844 1 3
—	Capital Appreciation on Sale of Free Securities			2,038 14 3
11,695	**BALANCE, BEING EXCESS OF TOTAL EXPENDITURE OVER TOTAL INCOME**			46,006 18 2
				£178,026 16 3

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.

1946. £		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	I. SUNDRY CREDITORS.			
	General Fund		10,154 17 7	
	Convalescent Fund		152 6 8	
	Subscriptions paid in advance		4 4 0	
7,665				10,311 8 3
	II. LOANS TO HOSPITAL.			
—	General Fund—Lloyds Bank Ltd. (overdrawn)			3,595 17 4
	III. CAPITAL ACCOUNT.			
	(*a*) **Hospital Endowments—**			
	Balance at 31/12/46	65,009 4 10		
	Add Additional Endowments ...	1,656 16 3		
		66,666 1 1		
	Less Transfer to General Fund ...	4,140 12 0		
65,009			62,525 9 1	
	(*b*) **Land, Buildings and Equipment Fund—**			
	Balance at 31/12/46	236,166 4 1		
	Add Transfer from General Fund	45,390 8 0		
236,166			281,556 12 1	
	(*c*) **Reserve on Revaluation of Land,**			
—	**Buildings and Equipment**		377,755 8 5	
	(*d*) **General Fund—**			
	Balance at 31/12/46	85,761 8 3		
	Add—			
	Transfer from Special Funds ...	23,376 8 2		
	Transfer from Endowment Fund ...	4,140 12 0		
	Ministry of Health	11,500 0 0		
		124,778 8 5		
	Less Transfer to Land, Buildings and Equipment Fund	45,390 8 0		
		79,388 0 5		
	Less Transfer to Hospital Management Committee Fund	350 0 0		
		79,038 0 5		
	Less Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year	46,006 18 2		
85,761			33,031 2 3	
387,687				754,868 11 10
	IV. SPECIAL FUNDS.			
2,885	(*a*) New Out-patient Building Fund		2,885 16 9	
1,807	(*b*) Convalescent Fund		1,734 5 8	
—	(*c*) Hospital Management Committee Fund (Section 7 (4), N.H.S. Act)		1,217 5 7	
304	(*d*) Capital Suspense Account		103 12 6	
50	(*e*) Nurses Christian Association		50 0 0	
				5,991 0 6
				£774,766 17 11

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Accounts with the Books and Vouchers of the Hospital and certify them to be correct and in accordance therewith.

We have verified the Securities and Bank Balances.

(Signed) BLAKE, ALLNATT & CRADDOCK,
Chartered Accountants,
25/26, Market Place, Reading.

10*th March*, 1948.

The above Balance Sheet and Accounts were presented at the Annual Court of Governors held 23rd March, 1948.

AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1947.

ASSETS.

1946. £		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	I. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND.			
	(*a*) **General Fund—**			
18,152	Cash at Lloyds Bank Ltd.	—		
11,390	Cash at Reading Savings Bank ...	—		
300	Petty Cash	400 0 0		
29,842			400 0 0	
	(*b*) **Special Funds—**			
	(*a*) New Out-patient Building Fund	2,885 16 9		
	(*b*) Convalescent Fund	1,087 0 8		
	(*c*) Ditto—Petty Cash	40 0 0		
	(*d*) Hospital Management Committee Fund	1,217 5 7		
	(*e*) Capital Suspense Account ...	103 12 6		
	(*f*) Nurses Christian Association ...	50 0 0		
			5,383 15 6	
4,696				5,783 15 6
	II. SUNDRY DEBTORS, ETC.			
	General Fund		30,041 7 3	
	Convalescent Fund		9 11 8	
16,179				30,050 18 11
10,351	**III. STOCKS OF UNISSUED STORES ON HAND**			16,344 13 11
	IV. INVESTMENTS.			
	(*a*) **Hospital Endowments—**			
	Securities	56,425 9 1		
	Property	6,100 0 0		
65,009			62,525 9 1	
	(*b*) **Convalescent Fund—**			
750	Securities		750 0 0	
				63,275 9 1
	V. LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT.			
	Professional Valuation, 1945	631,328 0 0		
	Additions to 31/12/46 (at cost)	1,543 12 6		
			632,871 12 6	
	Add Additions during the year (at cost)		26,440 8 0	
236,166				659,312 0 6
				£774,766 17 11

N.B.—*Investments are shown at Market Value at time of acquisition.*

SCHEDULE OF LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT

At 31st December, 1947.

	£	s.	d.
Land (Hospital and Blagrave Branch)	21,305	0	0
Buildings (Hospital and Blagrave Branch)	474,403	15	0
Equipment (Hospital and Blagrave Branch)	112,416	6	10
OUTSIDE PROPERTIES :—			
202 Whitley Wood Road	1,955	8	0
13 Denmark Road	3,243	16	6
56 London Road	4,225	6	10
23 Craven Road	7,142	16	6
79 Woodcote Way	1,309	4	7
36 Princes Street	1,333	0	0
"Greenlands," Redlands Road	15,833	0	0
79 Watlington Street	816	0	0
4 Craven Road	3,886	6	3
6/8 Craven Road	6,259	0	0
2 Craven Road	3,083	0	0
38 Elm Road	2,100	0	0
	£659,312	0	6

ENDOWMENT FUND INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (NOT REVALUED) :—

	£	s.	d.
71/73 London Road	5,000	0	0
24/26 Princes Street	400	0	0
32 Princes Street	300	0	0
34 Princes Street	400	0	0
	£6,100	0	0

LAUNDRY ACCOUNT

for the Year Ended 31st December, 1947.

1946. £			£	s.	d.
3,286	1.	Salaries and Wages	3,960	0	3
10	2.	Board, Uniforms, and other allowances	—		
313	3.	Materials, etc.	389	8	0
1,240	4.	Fuel, Power, Light and Water	1,437	19	10
121	5.	Renewals and Repairs to Machinery and Plant	129	0	9
22	6.	Insurance of Machinery, Plant and Buildings	20	1	4
56	7.	Rates	52	15	7
128	8.	Sundry	71	9	4
£5,176		Total Net Expenditure	£6,060	15	1

Allocated as follows :—

		£	s.	d.
£4,940	General Fund	5,825	3	11
236	Greenlands (Private Patients' Block) ...	235	11	2
5,176		£6,060	15	1

STATISTICS OF COST.

12,486	Average number of pieces washed weekly	15,378
15s. 11d.	Cost per 100 pieces washed	15s. 2d.

CAPITAL SUSPENSE ACCOUNT.

Statement of Balances as at 31st December, 1947.

LIABILITIES.		£ s. d.	ASSETS.	£ s. d.
Capital Account.			Cash at Bank—	
Balance as at 31/12/46 ...	303 12 6		Halford Fund	103 12 6
Less transferred to General Fund ...	200 0 0			
		103 12 6		
		£103 12 6		£103 12 6

CONVALESCENT FUND ACCOUNT.

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 31st December, 1947.

EXPENDITURE.	£ s. d.	INCOME	£ s. d.
By Relief on Leaving	21 1 9	To Subscriptions	15 8 10
,, Surgical Appliances ...	1,147 5 7	,, Donations	50 12 5
,, Maintenance of Patients in Convalescent Homes ...	35 16 2	,, Interest on Investments ...	21 6 0
,, Travelling and Miscellaneous Payments for Patients ...	72 1 3	,, Receipts collected by Almoner for Appliances, Convalescence, etc. :—	
		Patients	763 4 9
		Approved Societies ...	148 18 7
		Charitable Sources ...	75 13 8
		Public Authorities ...	115 6 2
		Contributory Schemes	12 12 0
		,, Balance, being excess of Expenditure over Income ...	73 2 4
	£1,276 4 9		£1,276 4 9

Statement of Balances as at 31st December, 1947.

LIABILITIES.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	ASSETS.	£ s. d.
Sundry Creditors		152 6 8	Cash at Bank	1,087 0 8
Capital Account.			Cash in Hand	40 0 0
Balance as at 31/12/46 ...	1,807 8 0		Sundry Debtors	9 11 8
Less Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year ...	73 2 4		Investments	750 0 0
		1,734 5 8		
		£1,886 12 4		£1,886 12 4

IN THE INTERESTS OF ECONOMY THE FULL LIST OF ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS, DONATIONS, CHURCH COLLECTIONS, ETC., HAS NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT. THE DETAILED LISTS MAY BE SEEN AT THE HOSPITAL.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE FUND.	£	s.	d.
Annual Subscriptions	5,001	11	9
Donations	5,501	12	5
Box Collections	978	10	0
Church Collections	825	19	0
Hospital Parades	159	8	9
Legacies	2,844	1	3
CONVALESCENT FUND.			
Subscriptions	15	8	10
Donations	50	12	5

LEGACIES RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1947.

	Free Fund.			*Endowment Fund.*		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The late						
Mrs. E. M. Holly	93	19	1			
Mr. J. Swain	10	0	0			
Mrs. A. Chapman	200	0	0			
Mr. E. Hewer	180	0	0			
Mr. W. K. Gosling	1,703	15	6			
Mrs. L. Painting	90	0	0			
Miss F. Hill	66	6	8			
Miss M. A. Palmer				500	0	0
Mrs. K. G. Ayres				1,000	0	0
Mrs. M. M. Dedman	500	0	0			
	£2,844	1	3	£1,500	0	0

THE ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL.

Schedule of Investments as at 31st December, 1947.

Holding.	Endowment Funds. Nominal Value. £	s.	d.	Market Value at 31/12/47. £	s.	d.
BRITISH GOVERNMENT STOCKS.						
4% Consolidated Loan, 1957, Inscribed	6,365	8	2	6,874	12	10
4% Funding Loan, 1960/1990	1,759	8	5	1,970	11	0
3½% Conversion Stock, 1961 or after	933	13	7	985	0	7
3½% War Stock, 1952 or after	6,243	18	6	6,431	4	10
3% Funding Loan, 1959/69	4,849	14	8	4,922	9	7
3% Guaranteed Stock, Inscribed	1,481	6	8	1,473	18	6
3% Savings Bonds, 1960/70	1,920	0	0	1,948	16	0
3% Defence Bonds (2nd Series)	1,500	0	0	1,500	0	0
3% Treasury Stock, 1966 or after	1,487	17	5	1,472	19	10
2½% National War Bonds, 1949/51	6,308	11	2	6,403	3	9
2½% Defence Bonds	500	0	0	500	0	0
2½% Consolidated Stock	1,409	12	8	1,155	18	0
Ditto (Convalescent Fund)	851	17	5	698	10	8
2½% National War Bonds, 1952/54	390	0	0	392	18	6
2½% National War Bonds, 1954/56	492	6	0	495	19	10
BRITISH CORP'NS AND PUBLIC BOARDS.						
Reading Corporation 3½% Inscribed Stock ...	490	13	2	532	7	3
Reading Corporation 3% Inscribed Stock, 1962	112	14	3	112	3	0
Sheffield Corporation 3½% Red. Deb. Stock, 1953	495	0	0	514	16	0
South Shields Corporation 4½% Red. Stock, 1952/62	488	19	0	513	7	11
Bristol Corporation 3½% Stock, 1961/66 ...	974	6	6	1,027	18	3
London County Consolidated 3½% Stock, 1952/62	976	2	2	1,010	5	5
Metropolitan Water Board (Staines Reservoirs) 3% Guaranteed Stock	964	18	3	931	2	10
London Passenger Transport Board 4½% "A" Stock	1,397	0	0	1,795	2	11
COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.						
Commonwealth of Australia 3¼% Stock, 1965/69	3,014	18	3	3,075	4	2
Commonwealth of Australia 3¼% Stock, 1956/61	200	4	0	203	4	1
Commonwealth of Australia 3% Stock, 1955/58	2,250	13	0	2,261	18	1
New Zealand 3¼% Inscribed Stock, 1962/65 ...	528	17	2	557	18	11
RAILWAYS (HOME).						
London, Midland & Scottish Railway Company 4% Preference Stock	1,900	0	0	1,567	10	0
London & North Eastern Railway Company 4% Debenture Stock	1,851	0	0	2,110	2	10
London & North Eastern Railway Company 3% Debenture Stock	1,675	0	0	1,666	12	6
Southern Railway 5% Preference Stock ...	2,400	0	0	2,868	0	0
RAILWAYS (INDIAN).						
East India Railway Annuity Co., Class "B" ...	217	0	0	4,340	0	0
	£56,431	0	5	£62,313	18	1

ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL

(326 Beds*.)

	1946.	*1947.*
Number of In-Patients admitted	4,943	6,648
Number of Beds in constant occupation ...	200·54	237·03
Number of New Out-Patients treated ...	19,311	20,445
Number of Casualty Patients treated (included in above) ...	7,505	7,994
Number of Out-Patient Attendances ...	99,946	103,283

BLAGRAVE BRANCH HOSPITAL

(64 Beds.)

Number of In-Patients admitted	1,137	1,124
Number of Beds in constant occupation ...	50·17	49·34

Paying Patients Block. 'GREENLANDS'

(23 Beds.)

Number of Patients admitted	567	564
Number of Beds in constant occupation ...	18·46	17·69

* Includes 40 Beds reserved under Emergency Medical Service Scheme.

VISITING DAYS

ADULT PATIENTS.

Wednesday and Saturday 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Sunday, 2.30-3.45 p.m.

CHILDREN.

Saturday, 2.30-3.30 p.m.
Parents or Guardians only are permitted to visit Children Patients.

Children under the age of 10 years are not permitted to visit adult patients.

Children under the age of 15 years are not permitted to visit in the Children's Ward.

Visiting of patients in the Maternity Department is subject to special restriction.

Wards Beds and Cots Named in Perpetuity.

The sum required to Name a Bed in perpetuity is ... £1,000
The sum required to Name a Cot in perpetuity is ... £500

Wards and Beds.

No.	*Year.*	*Name of Bed.*	*Ward.*	*Named by*
1	1897	"Huntley & Palmer" Ward	—	Messrs. Huntley & Palmers Ltd.
2	1903	"Mary Hall Pocock" ...	Adelaide ...	Miss M. H. Pocock
3	1903	"Martha Penelope Leggatt"	Adelaide ...	Miss M. P. Leggatt
4	1912	"Douglas Johnson" Ward	Eye	Mrs. Elizabeth R. Johnson
5	1912	"Mrs. Elizabeth Rebecca Johnson"	Eye	Miss E. A. Slatter
6	1914	"Charles Stephens" ...	Sidmouth ...	Mrs. S. L. Stephens
7	1915	"Bruce Allfrey" ...	Benyon	Mrs. J. A. Bruce
8	1916	"Jack Ritson"	Benyon	Dr. and Mrs. Ritson
9	1918	"Dugdale Astley" ...	Sidmouth ...	Mr. and Mrs. H. D'O. W. Astley
10	1919	"Ernest William Ridley"	Benyon	Mrs. Ernest Ridley
11	1920	"Amy Hissey"	Victoria ...	Miss Hissey
12	1921	"United Services" ...	Sidmouth ...	Ex-Servicemen of Reading
13	1922	"Maryon Shore" ...	Adelaide ...	Mrs. Anne Toppin Mrs. Elizabeth Davies
14	1922	"Jessie"	Adelaide ...	Mr. Hugh Hawkins
15	1923	"Robert Hewett" ...	Sidmouth ...	Mr. C. E. Hewett
16	1923	"Howard Palmer" ...	Benyon ...	Mr. William Howard Palmer
17	1923	"William Dyke" ...	Adelaide ...	Mr. William Dyke
18	1923	"The Luard Bed" ...	Benyon	Mrs. Luard and Family
19	1923	"William McIlroy Ltd."	Victoria ...	Messrs. McIlroy, Ltd.
20	1925	"Wargrave"	Adelaide ...	Sir Keith Elphinstone, K.B.E.
21	1928	"Michael Bernard Secretan"	Benyon	Mr. W. B. Secretan, F.R.C.S.
22	1928	"M.A.H."	Adelaide ...	"Anonymous"
23	1929	"Emma Dyke"	Victoria ...	Miss Emma Dyke
24	1929	"James Royle"	Benyon	The Sportsmen of Reading
25	1930	"Ancient Order of Druids"	Benyon	Royal Berkshire Lodge
26	1930	"Mary Elsley Newbery"	Victoria ...	Mr. Arthur Newbery
27	1931	"Frank Cooksey" ...	Benyon	Mrs. Alice Cooksey
28	1931	"P. O. Watson" ...	Benyon	Mr. P. O. Watson
29	1933	"Wokingham Hospital Committee"	Sidmouth ...	Wokingham Hospital Committee
30	1934	"Arthur Newbery" ...	Victoria ...	Mr. Arthur Newbery
31	1936	"William James Wakelin"	Blagrave Branch	Mr. W. J. Wakelin
32	1937	"Charles H. Palmer" ...	Huntley & Palmer	Mrs. Charles Palmer
33	1937	"Alice Ridley"	Benyon	Mrs. Ernest Ridley
34	1937	"The Reading & District Licensed Trades' Protection and Benevolent Association"	Sidmouth ...	The Association
35	1940	"Ancient Order of Druids"	Benyon	Royal Berkshire Lodge
36	1940	"Mrs. Walter May" ...	Nuffield I. ...	Mr. C. E. Hodgkin (Executor)
37	1941	"Wm. John Day Venner"	Nuffield II. ...	The late Miss Florence Elsie Venner
38	1942	"Reading Fire Guards"	Victoria ...	Reading Fire Guards
39	1943	"John and Louisa Wooberry" ...	Nuffield I. ...	Mr. F. G. Ashman } Executors. Mr. G. F. Attwood } Executors.
40	1943	James Fish	Nuffield I ...	Special Needs Committee.
41	1944	"Lawrence" Memorial	Nuffield I. ...	The late Miss Matilda Lawrence.
42	1944	"Lawrence Hignett" ...	Nuffield I.	Trustees of Settlement.
43	1945	Mable Nash	Nuffield II ...	The late Col. W. P. Nash, J.P.
44	Debt Reduction Appeal, 1943.	"Binfield"	Nuffield II	Binfield.
45		"The Seventh Marquis of Downshire"		Her Stepson, in Memory of Evelyn Downshire.
46		"Frieth"		Frieth.
47		"Employees of G.W.R."		Employees of G.W.R.

No.	Year.	Name of Bed.	Ward.	Named by
48	Debt Reduction Appeal, 1943.	"Henley	Nuffield II.	Henley.
49		"Pangbourne and Tidmarsh" "		Pangbourne and Tidmarsh.
50		"Peppard and Kidmore End"		Peppard and Kidmore End.
51		"Reading Jewish Community"		Reading Jewish Community.
52		"Reading Sportsmen's"		Reading Sportsmen.
53		"Dr. Shea"		Anonymous.
54		"Streatley"		Streatley.
55		"Woodley and Sandford"		Woodley and Sandford.
56	—	Kate Allnatt	Nuffield I ...	Mr. P. Allnatt.
57	—	Beatrice Eleanor Allnatt	Nuffield I ...	Mr. P. Allnatt.
58	1946	Sir William Jury ...	Nuffield I	The late Sir Wm. Jury.
59	1947	Arthur Soame Ayres ...	Nuffield I ...	The late Mrs. Kate Gamlen Ayres.

Cots.

No.	Year.	Name of Cot.	Ward.	Named by
1	1912	"Thomas Howard Beet"	Children's ...	Mr. Charlotte Harvey
2	1914	"Miss Theresa de Gournay Miller, M.B., B.S." ...	,,	Her Brothers and Sisters
3	1918	"Leonard Kingham" ...	,,	Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Kingham
4	1922	"Arthur Hennis Perrott"	,,	Lady Perrott
5	1925	"Berkshire Operatic Club"	,,	Berkshire Operatic Club
6	1931	"The Nurses' Cot" ...	Blagrave Branch	Past & Present R.B.H Nurses
7	1933	"Edwin Harvey" ...	Children's ...	Edwin Leonard Harvey
8	1933	"Mrs. Peel, Wargrave"	,,	Her Sons and Daughters
9	1935	"James Herbert Benyon"	,,	His Farm Tenants
10	1936	"G. F. G. Purvis" ...	,,	Mrs. Purvis
11	1938	"Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Crispe"	,,	Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Crispe
12	1938	"James Henry Stephens"	,,	Messrs. Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Executors
13	1938	"The Robin Cot" ...	,,	Miss Vera C. Palmer
14	1939	"F. A. Sarjeant" ...	,,	Special Needs Committee
15	1941	"Wm. Fredk. Fouracre Venner"	,,	The late Miss Florence Elsie Venner
16	1942	"Reading Fire Guards"	,,	Reading Fire Guards
17	Debt Reduction Appeal, 1943.	"Bradfield"	,,	Bradfield.
18		"California in England, Ltd"	,,	California in England, Ltd.
19		"Earley"	,,	Earley.
20		"East Reading Wardens"	,,	East Reading Wardens.
21		"Goring"	,,	Goring.
22		"H. & G. Simonds" ...	,,	Messrs. H. &. G. Simonds.
23		"Henley"	,,	Henley.
24		"Huntley & Palmers, Ltd. Employees" ...	,,	Employees of Messrs. Huntley & Palmers, Ltd.
25		"Mapledurham" ...	,,	Mapledurham.
26		"Metalair, Ltd., Wokingham"	,,	Metalair, Ltd.
27		"Reading Borough Spec's"	,,	Reading Borough Specials.
28		"Reading Jewish Community"	,,	Reading Jewish Community.
29		Reading and District Master Butchers' Assoc."	,,	Reading and District Master Butchers' Association.
30		"Reading Post Office Staff"	,,	Reading Post Office Staff.
31		"St. John's Coffee Stall"	,,	The Committee of St. John's C.E.T.S. Coffee Stall.
32		"St. Mary's, Reading."	,,	In Memory of A. C. Bartholomew.
33		"Lady Edward Somerset"	Blagrave Branch	Herbert and Peter Blagrave.
34		"Stratfield Mortimer" ...	Children's ...	Stratfield Mortimer.
35		"Sutton"	,,	Sutton and Sons, Ltd.
36		"Thatcham"	,,	Thatcham.
37		"Wokingham"	,,	Wokingham.
38		"Woodley and Sandford"	,,	Woodley and Sandford.
39	1945	Hilda and Geoff ...	Blagrave Branch	Mrs. A. E. Smith, Caversham.
40	1946	Nellie Cornell	Maternity ...	The Board of Management.
41	1946	"St. Peter's Hill School, Caversham"	Blagrave Branch	The Pupils.
42	1947	Margaret Mary and Chas. George Dedman ...	Adelaide ...	The late Mrs. M. M. Dedman.

STATISTICAL TABLES

Statistics for year ended 31st December, 1947, compared with those of the previous year.

IN-PATIENTS

NUMBER OF BEDS AND IN-PATIENTS.

I.—Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.

		Numbers in 1947.	Numbers in previous year.
1.	Total number of available Beds on 31st December ...	*†291	*†272
2.	Average number of available Beds during the year ...	284·2	262·19
3.	Average number of Patients resident daily throughout the year	237·03	200·54
4.	Number of In-Patients in the Hospital at beginning of year	193	244
5.	,, ,, ,, admitted during year	6,648	4,943
6.	,, ,, ,, in the Hospital at the end of the year	215	193
7.	Average number of days each Patient was resident ...	13·06	14·65

* *These figures includes Beds reserved under the Emergency Medical Service Scheme.*

† *This figure excludes 32 Beds closed in Ward under reconstruction.*

II.—Blagrave Branch Hospital, Calcot.

		Numbers in 1947.	Numbers in previous year.
1.	Total number of available Beds on 31st December ...	64	64
2.	Average number of available Beds during the year ...	64	64
3.	Average number of Patients resident daily throughout the year	49·34	50·17
4.	Number of In-Patients in the Hospital at beginning of year	42	48
5.	,, ,, ,, admitted during year (included in Royal Berks Hospital admissions).	1,124	1,137
6.	,, ,, ,, in the Hospital at the end of year	46	42
7.	Average number of days each Patient was resident ...	16·08	16·02

III.—Paying Patients' Block (Greenlands).

		Numbers in 1947.	Numbers in previous year.
1.	Total number of available Beds on 31st December ...	23	23
2.	Average number of available Beds during the year ...	22·32	23
3.	Average number of Patients resident daily throughout the year	17·69	18·46
4.	Number of In-Patients in the Hospital at beginning of year	20	20
5.	,, ,, ,, admitted during year	564	567
6.	,, ,, ,, in the Hospital at the end of year	13	20
7.	Average number of days each Patient was resident ...	11·31	11·88

ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL

(including the Paying Patients' Block) and

BLAGRAVE BRANCH HOSPITAL.

STATISTICAL TABLES.

For year ended 31st December, 1947, compared with those of the previous year.

I.—In-Patients : *Number of Beds and In-Patients.*

	Numbers in 1947	*Numbers in previous year*
1. Total number of available Beds on 31st December	378	359
2. Average number of available Beds during the year	370·53	349·19
3. Average number of Patients resident daily throughout the year	304·07	269·18
4. Number of In-Patients in the Hospital at the beginning of year	255	312
5. Number of In-Patients admitted during the year	7,212	*5,510
6. Number of In-Patients in Hospital at the end of the year	274	255
7. Average number of days each Patient was resident	15·43	17·64

II.—Out-Patients : *Numbers.*

	Numbers in 1947	*Numbers in previous year*
1. Total number of new Out-Patients ...	20,445	19,311
2. Total number of Out-Patient Attendances	103,283	99,946
3. Number of Casualty Patients (included in No. 1 above)	7,994	7,505

* All patients admitted to the Branch Hospital are transferred from the Royal Berkshire Hospital : their admission is therefore counted once only.

STATISTICAL TABLES—Year to 31st December, 1947.

(a) *Annual Expenditure on In-patients.* *Average Cost of each In-patient per week, and Average Cost of each In-patient.*

	1947.			Previous Year.	
	Expenditure on In-patients.	*Average Cost of each In-patient per week.*	*Average Total Cost of each In-patient.*	*Average Cost of each In-patient per week.*	*Average Total Cost of each In-patient.*
	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1. Provisions (including Board of Staff)	18,381	1 3 2	2 11 1	19 4	2 10 6
2. Surgery and Dispensary	13,532	17 1	1 17 8	14 9	1 18 6
3. Domestic	23,468	1 9 7	3 5 3	1 9 2	3 16 5
4. Salaries and Wages (Maintenance)	77,249	4 17 5	10 14 10	4 5 0	11 2 3
5. Miscellaneous	7,113	9 0	19 9	7 2	18 9
6. Administration	5,795	7 4	16 1	6 9	17 8
Statistical Cost	145,538	9 3 7	20 4 8	8 2 2	21 4 1
7. Establishment—Renewals and Repairs	5,231	6 7	14 7	6 4	16 3
8. Finance	2,140	2 8	5 11	3 1	8 3
Total Cost ... ... £	152,909	9 12 10	21 5 2	8 11 7	22 8 7

(b) *Annual Expenditure on Out-patients.* *Average Cost of each Out-patient Attendance and of each Out-patient.*

	1947.			Previous Year.	
	Expenditure on Out-patients.	*Average Cost of each Out-patient Attendance*	*Average Total Cost of each Out-patient.*	*Average Cost of each Out-patient Attendance.*	*Average Total Cost of each Out-patient.*
	£	Pence	Pence	Pence	Pence
1. Provisions (including Board of Staff)	1,033	2·40	12·12	2·23	11·54
2. Surgery and Dispensary	7,268	16·89	85·32	12·02	62·20
3. Domestic	2,057	4·78	24·15	4·17	21·60
4. Salaries and Wages (Maintenance)	9,548	22·19	112·08	15·29	79·16
5. Miscellaneous	1,185	2·75	13·91	1·87	9·69
6. Administration	1,449	3·36	17·01	2·65	13·68
Statistical Cost	22,540	52·37	264·59	38·23	197·87
7. Establishment—Renewals and Repairs	747	1·74	8·77	1·40	7·24
8. Finance	331	·77	3·88	·74	3·84
Total Cost	23,618	54·88	277·24	40·37	208·95

MATRON'S REPORT, 1947

During the year there have been many small changes; these have allowed the extension of the Nursing Services of the Hospital. Whilst the floods were causing anxiety in March the Preliminary Training School was made ready in Joyce Grove, Nettlebed, where the second floor was rented from St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington. Here we welcomed the first Student Nurses on 25th March, and since then forty-seven Nurses have taken their first eight weeks' course in this lovely mansion.

This new accommodation made room for more staff here, and as the numbers crept up we found we were again without rooms for the Nurses to live in. During the summer months the Board of Management purchased No. 56 London Road, and the work of preparation started at once. At last it was ready, and on 27th December the first Staff Nurses moved in. There are ten bedrooms, and one has two beds, so we were able to take eleven more Nurses. I feel it will be a very happy home, although just opened and not complete the Staff Nurses who live there enjoy it greatly.

As the nursing staff increased we were able to open more wards. The opening of Joyce Grove released Huntley and Palmer Ward, which, after repainting, was opened for patients on 21st April; and Albert Ward was staffed by part-time Nurses and opened for a Tonsil Ward. The part-time Nurses have given excellent service during the year, and though they change fairly often, due to domestic ties, we have managed to fill the gaps and keep the service running.

Miss Saunders left in November, after over twenty years' service as Home Sister and Assistant Matron, to look after her parents. She was as sad to leave us as we are sorry to part with her. Miss Aldwinckle, A.R.R.C., was appointed in her stead from the post of Senior Home Sister, and this post was filled by the promotion of Miss Hosken, our Casualty Sister. Another loss, after many years' service, was felt when Miss Batt resigned the post of Sister of Sidmouth Ward, though she is still near enough to visit us. We welcomed Miss Wilson as Second Assistant Matron, and Sister Purnell as Second Home Sister, Sisters Jones and Frankenbusch to the Ophthalmic Department, Sister Blackwell to Benyon, Sister Brown to Alice, Sister Morris to Children's Ward, Sister Johnson to Casualty, and Sisters Fletcher and Hatt on night duty.

71 new Student Nurses entered for training during the year, and 14 second-year Nurses from affiliated hospitals; 22 left without completing training, 3 to be married, 4 because of failures in examinations; 2 unsuitable, and the others for various reasons, chiefly domestic.

State Examinations.

Final.—31 entered, 29 passed on first entry and 2 failed (they re-entered and passed).

Preliminary: *Part* 2.—27 entered and passed.

Part 1.—46 entered, 44 passed at first entry and 2 failed (1 re-entered and passed).

Thus 31 Student Nurses became State Registered during the year 1947:—

15 were promoted and appointed Staff Nurses.
7 left to take Midwifery Training.
4 left to be married.
4 left to take Staff Nurses' posts in special hospitals for added experience.
1 left to become a District Nurse.

K. I. Cawood, S.R.N., S.C.M., R.S.C.N.,
Matron.

ALMONER'S REPORT, 1947

In presenting the Annual Report of the Almoner's Department for 1947 I am pleased to record a year of good work and progress. The main function of an Almoner is to find a solution for all the social ills of her patients by removing their difficulties and lessening their family worries so that full benefit may be derived from the treatment prescribed for them and I wish to express my gratitude to the Staff of the Department who have so ably assisted in this work and to the Medical and Nursing Staff for their unceasing help and co-operation.

Number of In-Patients interviewed	6,583
Number of Out-Patients interviewed	10,938
ASSISTANCE GIVEN—	
Surgical Appliances (including 25 hearing aids) ...	355
Convalescence	91
Transfer to Special Hospitals, Institutions and Special Schools	49
Referred to Labour Exchange Rehabilitation Officer	19
Registered under Disabled Persons Act	3
Registered under Blind Persons Act	12
Referred to Voluntary Organisations (British Legion, S.S.A.F.A., Reading Dispensary Trust, etc.) ...	48
Extra Nourishment	12
Homes for Elderly People	4
Fares	76
Transport by Hospital Car Service	1,906
Home Visits	557
Other forms of assistance	386

As a result of the re-opening of Wards that were temporarily closed owing to shortage of Nursing Staff, the number of patients admitted to the Wards has increased by 1,640, it will be appreciated that there has been an increase in the number of cases to be followed up and much valuable help has been given by our Home Visitor, who has visited 557 homes during the year. The assistance given in this way by the Health Visitors and Welfare Workers in the many counties and scattered rural areas from which our patients come is invaluable and, although these visits are not recorded in the figure shown in the statistics given above, I wish to express my appreciation for the service that has been rendered.

There is no limit to the variety of needs that may arise and although it is difficult to tabulate this type of work, a few instances may prove of interest and give some idea of the problems that must be solved :—

A woman was admitted to hospital as an urgent case, leaving at home three children, the youngest ten months old. Her husband, who was unable to earn a high wage owing to ill health, could not afford to take time off to look after them, or to pay someone to do it for him. No progress could be made in the mother's health until she ceased to worry about the children. The help of the Public Assistance Officer was sought and he agreed to take them into the local institution until the mother was able to look after them herself. To this arrangement the parents would not consent as they did not wish the children to go into a Home. Eventually the woman's sister agreed to take them into her home, but as she could not afford to do so without financial assistance, arrangements were made through the Public Assistance Officer for an allowance to be paid to her for their care. The result has been most satisfactory to all parties concerned and a steady progress maintained by the mother.

A woman of eighty-three, who had been living in accommodation that was filled during her stay in hospital, had nowhere to go on discharge. It was felt that, even if a room could be found anywhere for her, she should not continue to live alone, and she had no relatives to whom she could go. A vacancy was sought for her in a Home for Elderly People and, although these are almost unobtainable nowadays, an application to a Home in Plymouth was eventually accepted. As she was quite unable to travel by herself, an escort was found for her with the help of the Red Cross. Transport was arranged from the hospital to the station and from Plymouth to the Home, and seats reserved on the train. As the distance was too great for the escort to return the same day, arrangements were made with the Matron of the Home for her to be accommodated there for the night. The patient continues to write of the kindness that has been shown to her since she went there and to say how happy she in in her new home.

A woman was living on a widow's pension of fifteen shillings per week for herself and child, her married son paying the rent, which he could ill afford to do. No application

for a supplementary pension had been made as she was quite unaware that she was entitled to claim one. This was eventually obtained for her and a talk with her later revealed the fact that, although she would never be able to go out to work again, she was good with her fingers and enjoyed needlework. The help of the Red Cross was enlisted and it was suggested to her that if her work proved to be of a sufficiently high standard, they would try and arrange for her to have a licence to sell goods and so augment her small income. She is now looking forward to a better future than she had thought possible.

A girl, without relatives, and entirely dependent on herself, was referred to the Out-Patient Department with a chest condition and as a poor case of general debility. She was told that she must stop working for some time and have a complete rest and extra nourishment. As this meant that she would be in receipt of National Health Insurance only and would be left with very little on which to live, after paying the rent of her one room, she felt that it was impossible for her to carry out this recommendation. A grant was obtained to help her financially and the provision of extra nourishment arranged. To enable her to get the rest she needed she was sent to a Convalescent Home for two months, part of the cost being met by application to her Approved Society, the Hospital Convalescent Fund paying the remainder of the cost and her fare, thus relieving her of any financial anxiety. On her return she reported to hospital in such an improved condition that it was not long before she was allowed to go back to work and has continued to go on satisfactorily.

A child of five had to attend the Physiotherapy Department three times a week for deformity of the spine. It was reported that her attendance there had become very spasmodic and a permanent disability would result if this were allowed to continue. A visit to the home disclosed the reason. Neither the mother, who was totally blind, nor the father, who was working out of the town, could bring her to hospital. A friend of the family came to our aid by promising to bring her once in the week and the difficulty was then discussed with the School Medical Officer, who was able to provide an escort to bring the child to hospital on the other two days, until such time as she no longer required treatment.

A man, working locally and living in lodgings, was admitted with acute gastric trouble. When the time came for him to leave hospital it was considered essential that he should return to his home where he could have regular meals, keep to his diet and, later, suitable light employment found for him. His home was in a remote part of Wales, involving four changes by rail, and he was not strong enough to stand any worry or deal with the difficulties to be met in present day travelling, nor could he afford the expenses of someone to accompany him, his financial resources being much reduced as the result of his prolonged illness. The matter was fully explained to the Stationmaster, whose magnificent help made it possible for the journey to be undertaken with the minimum amount of strain or anxiety to the patient. The route was planned out, details supplied of the trains involved, seating accommodation reserved, and arrangements made for the man to be met at the stations where the changes had to be made.

Three hundred and fifty-five appliances and instruments of all kinds have been supplied and 25 hearing aids, an increase of 21 on the previous year. Despite a 25 per cent. discount allowed by the firm to patients supplied through hospital channels, the cost of an aid ranges from seventeen to twenty guineas, and providing payment for these appliances calls for careful and patient enquiry and numerous applications to Benevolent Funds and charitable sources. Need, not income, however, is the decisive factor in the provision of a hearing aid and the joy experienced by those who can hear again is compensation indeed for the work entailed in obtaining assistance to make this possible.

Transport facilities have again been afforded us by the Hospital Car Service. ; 1,906 journeys have been arranged and undertaken, involving a total of 30,221 miles, at a cost to Hospital of £457 17s. 3d. On October 1st the charge was increased from threepence to sixpence a mile and, although it is seldom that the patient can pay the whole of this charge, a small amount is recovered where possible and the rest borne by the Hospital. To the Area Transport Officers and to the drivers, the Hospital Authorities and the patients owe a great debt of gratitude for the service that has been rendered. Without this it would be difficult to know how treatment in so many cases could have been continued.

Our aim is to procure the maximum welfare of the patients and the success of our efforts can only be achieved by the co-operation of others. I cannot, then, end my report without paying the warmest tribute and recording my sincere thanks to the various Local and Public Authorities, Voluntary Organisations and Charitable Societies, the Members of our own Hospital Committee and to all those who have helped in any way by their willingness and ungrudging assistance to further the work of the Department.

A. E. Platt,

Almoner.

MEDICAL REPORT

	1946.	*1947.*
Admissions	1,177	1,388
Deaths	98	99
Deaths within 48 hours	28	32
Number of New Out-patients	2,186	2,330

J. J. KEMPTON,
Assistant to Medical Department.

SURGICAL REPORT

	1946.		*1947.*	
Total admissions to Surgical Wards		2,726		3,373
Total of operations		3,173		4,093
General surgical cases...	2,302		2,844	
Gynaecological cases	590		778	
Greenlands cases	281		296	
Minor operations	110		175	
Total deaths in Surgical Wards		130		90
Deaths within 48 hours		36		23
Deaths after 48 hours		94		67

R. G. REID,
Hon. Asst. Surgeon.

PHYSIOTHERAPEUTIC DEPARTMENT

	1946.	*1947.*
In-patients—		
Treated	97	289
Treatments given	844	4,275
Out-patients—		
New cases	1,545	2,163
Attendances	28,586	21,882
Treated by massage and individual exercises	121	294
Treated by galvanism, faradism, sinusoidal, radiant heat diathermy, short wave diathermy and ultra violet light	380	448
Treated by electrical treatment and massage	735	503
Treated by injections	93	83
Class Exercises, including class breathing exercises for post tonsillectomy children	276	750
Treatments completed by Class Exercises	323	308

A. HENRY PRICE,
Medical Officer in Charge.

PATHOLOGICAL REPORT

			1946.		1947.
Royal Berkshire Hospital investigations ...			9,480		13,087
Greenlands investigations			354		480
V.D. Clinic investigations			1,141		706
Other investigations—					
Private patients	1,056			1,150	
Other hospitals	329			127	
Public authorities	1,895			3,709	
Forces	249			138	
			3,529		5,124
Post-mortem examinations			99		90
			14,603		19,487
Branch Laboratories :—					
Battle Hospital			1,250		2,586
Berks and Bucks Joint Sanatorium ...			2,955		3,226
			18,808		25,299
Work expressed as units :—					
Royal Berkshire Hospital			97,370		93,937
Public Authorities					16,648
Battle Hospital			11,909		10,729
Berks and Bucks Sanatorium			8,749		14,656

The amount of work passing through the Laboratory during 1947 is greater than in any previous year in the Laboratory's history.

The Transfusion Service is now running on a peace-time basis. During the last four years the usage of blood has remained stable, round about fifteen to sixteen hundred bottles per annum, with the exception of 1946. During 1946 several of the Wards were closed and there was an apparent diminution in all branches of Laboratory work for that year.

Again we must thank the Blood Donors who have continued to support the service, and also Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Prouten for much voluntary help at the bleeding sessions.

J. MILLS,

Director, Pathological Department.

BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

Patients. 1946.	Patients. 1947.		1946.	1947.
		Bottles sent away	68	63
		Bottles used in Reading and District :—		
181	258	Royal Berkshire Hospital	811	912
55	92	Battle Hospital	168	292
—	40	Berks and Bucks Joint Sanatorium	—	141
44	44	Private (including Greenlands)	154	146
280	434		1,133	1,491
		Bottles Rejected	51	34
		Total donors bled	1,252	1,588

J. MILLS,

Director, Pathological Department.

X-RAY DEPARTMENT

The following is the report for the year ended December 31st, 1947, as compared with that of 1946 :—

RADIOGRAPHIC DEPARTMENT.

		1946.	*1947.*	*Increase.*	*Decrease.*
Patients ...	In-patients ...	1,354	1,354		
	Out-patients ...	7,542	8,037		
		8,896	9,391	495	—
Attendances ...	In-patients ...	2,523	3,070		
	Out-patients ...	9,279	10,902		
		11,802	13,972	2,170	—
TOTAL FILMS USED ...	...	23,373	27,622	4,249	—
Barium examinations ...	... ...	942	1,031	89	—
Cholecystograms ...	... ...	173	120	—	53
Intravenous examinations ...	...	213	242	29	—

PAUL CAVE,
Medical Officer in Charge.

RADIOTHERAPY DEPARTMENT

	1946.	*1947.*
NUMBER OF CASES TREATED BY X-RAYS.		
In-patients	24	18
Out-patients	343	303
	367	321
NUMBER OF CASES TREATED BY RADIUM	33	19
NUMBER OF ATTENDANCES.		
In-patients	307	213
Out-patients	1,963	1,823
	2,270	2,036
ATTENDANCES AT "FOLLOW-UP" CLINIC	1,807	1,510

Dr. K. J. Mulvany, Radiotherapist in charge of the Department, resigned in November, 1946, in order to take up a post in South Africa, and the Department was virtually closed until Dr. W. G. Evans took up duties as Director at the end of April.

The building of the new Radiotherapy Department began in March and it is hoped that it may be possible to occupy it by the summer of 1948.

Another X-ray Therapy Machine of more modern design has been ordered and it has been decided to appoint a Physicist, a Technician and more Radiographers as soon as it is possible to accommodate them in the new building.

W. G. EVANS,
Director.

OPHTHALMIC DEPARTMENT

	1946.	*1947.*
In-patients	73	309
Operations	94	394
Casualties treated	897	1,037
New Out-patients	1,532	1,679
Voluntary Hospitals Ophthalmic Clinic—Patients treated ...	170	82
Total Out-patient attendances	3,853	5,128

The Eye Department has been in full working order during the past year as will be seen by the great increase in the number of patients treated.

An arrangement has been made with the Oxford Eye Hospital that the Junior House Surgeon from that institution should come to this Hospital for six months during his eighteen months' appointment. This ensures the Royal Berkshire Hospital a regular supply of House Surgeons to the Department.

Dr. J. C. Hill has been appointed Refractionist to the Hospital.

It is hoped that during the next few months branch Ophthalmic Clinics will be opened at the Associated Hospitals in the regional area at Newbury, Wallingford and Henley, thus implementing the Regional Ophthalmic Sub-Committee's report.

G. T. WILLOUGHBY CASHELL,
Hon. Ophthalmic Surgeon.

EAR, NOSE AND THROAT DEPARTMENT

	1946.	*1947.*
OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.		
New Patients	1,779	2,166
IN-PATIENTS.		
Admitted	967	1,578
OPERATIONS.		
Tonsils and Adenoids	369	1,012
Mastoid	60	49
Sub-mucus Resection of Septum	49	79
Radical Antra	17	17
Tonsillectomy	276	326
Laryngectomy	31	44
Oesophagoscopy	13	24
Bronchoscopy	14	8
Tracheotomy	4	3
Sinus Investigation	61	38
Frontal Sinus Drills	4	16
Radical Frontal Sinus	9	2
Intra-nasal antrostomy	6	18
Dacryocystorhinostomy	3	8
Bone Grafts	2	4
Plastic Operation	1	—
Aural Polypi	—	14
Nasal Polypi	—	27
Paracentesis	—	10
Excision of maxilla	—	5
Other Operations	151	206
Total number of Operations	1,070	1,910

S. F. LOGAN DAHNE,
Aural Registrar.

CARDIOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT

	In-Patients.	*Out-Patients.*	*Private Patients.*
1947	97	118	15
1946	17	123	16
1945	20	91	142
1944	36	94	23
1943	16	64	29

J. G. BIRD,
Medical Officer in Charge.

ORTHOPTIC DEPARTMENT

	1946.	*1947.*
New Patients	171	277
Number of Attendances	3,385	5,355
Operations	22	113
Cases discharged cured—		
Single binocular vision	71	
Cosmetically straight	24	
Improved	15	
	52	110

The Orthoptic School has now been operating for a year in association with the Oxford Eye Hospital. There have been three students during the year, who are now joined by three of the students from Oxford who have done a year at the Oxford Eye Hospital.

The students are taking the recognised two-year course for the diploma in Orthoptics, have recently taken the intermediate examination and proceed to the final examination in December, 1948.

M. E. HOLLAND,
Orthoptist.

G. T. WILLOUGHBY CASHELL,
Medical Officer in Charge.

TOWNS and VILLAGES

from which Patients attended in 1947

READING (including Caversham, Tilehurst and Whitley).—Totals—In-Patients, 2,775 ; Out-Patients, 5,982 ; Casualties, 5,136.

BERKSHIRE.—Totals—In-Patients, 2,441 ; Out-Patients, 4,034 ; Casualties, 1,612.

	I.P.	O.P.	Cas.
Abingdon ..	—	1	—
Aldermaston ..	13	19	11
Aldworth ..	6	6	2
Arborfield ..	27	42	29
Ascot	9	7	2
Ashampstead ..	12	7	4
Ashmore Green..	1	—	—
Aston Upthorpe	—	—	1
Barkham ..	13	10	12
Basildon ..	18	25	14
Bearwood ..	8	7	19
Beech Hill ..	2	4	3
Beenham ..	12	22	9
Binfield	36	59	22
Blewbury ..	—	—	2
Boxford.. ..	2	2	1
Bracknell ..	35	105	30
Bradfield ..	23	36	13
Brightwell ..	—	—	1
Brimpton ..	13	21	7
Broadmoor ..	—	1	—
Bucklebury ..	21	43	3
Burghfield ..	73	110	36
Calcot	20	34	10
Chieveley ..	2	3	—
Chilton Foliat ..	1	—	1
Cholsey	15	23	4
Cold Ash ..	7	8	3
Compton ..	12	32	2
Cookham ..	—	5	1
Crowthorne ..	77	119	39
Curridge ..	3	1	—
Didcot	2	4	6
Earley	150	274	199
Eastbury ..	4	1	—
East Garston ..	—	1	—
Easthampstead..	—	—	1
East Ilsley ..	6	11	—
Embrook ..	2	1	—

	I.P.	O.P.	Cas.
Englefield ..	6	13	4
Faringdon ..	1	—	1
Farley Hill ..	—	8	7
Finchampstead..	33	34	21
Frilsham ..	3	—	4
Grazeley ..	18	30	31
Great Shefford ..	—	1	1
Haines Hill ..	—	—	2
Hampstead Norris	11	10	2
Hamstead Marshall ..	—	1	—
Hare Hatch ..	—	3	5
Harwell	1	—	2
Hermitage ..	11	9	1
Hungerford ..	39	73	2
Hurley	1	—	—
Hurst	29	26	33
Inkpen	4	2	—
Kintbury ..	10	20	2
Knowl Hill ..	14	9	8
Lambourn ..	23	55	7
Leckhampstead	3	1	—
Littleheath ..	—	1	—
Maidenhead ..	23	21	5
Marlston ..	1	—	—
Midgham ..	3	6	—
Mortimer ..	74	115	40
Moulsford ..	3	4	—
Newbury ..	246	532	17
Owlsmoor ..	3	2	1
Padworth ..	9	20	6
Pangbourne ..	52	111	38
Pingewood ..	—	1	—
Purley	12	20	14
Remenham ..	2	—	—
Riseley	12	21	9
Ruscombe ..	—	5	4
Ryeish Green ..	—	—	1
Sandhurst ..	59	59	18

	I.P.	O.P.	Cas.
Shaw	5	—	—
Shinfield ..	39	67	44
Shrivenham ..	1	2	1
Shurlock Row ..	4	4	5
Sindlesham ..	5	12	15
Sonning ..	46	70	41
Speen	—	1	—
Speenhamland ..	1	1	1
Spencers Wood..	50	80	35
Stanford Dingley	6	6	2
Streatley ..	15	24	14
Sulham	—	—	3
Sulhamstead ..	8	16	5
Sunninghill ..	1	—	1
Swallowfield ..	30	31	14
Thatcham ..	40	117	2
Theale	73	128	37
Three Mile Cross	24	44	20
Tidmarsh ..	1	—	2
Tutts Clump ..	1	1	1
Twyford ..	96	149	52
Ufton Nervet ..	—	2	1
Upper Culham ..	—	—	1
Wallingford ..	15	18	4
Waltham St. Lawrence ..	25	21	10
Wantage ..	4	2	2
Warfield ..	—	3	2
Wargrave ..	43	55	18
Warren Row ..	—	1	—
Wash Common..	1	—	—
White Waltham	5	3	—
Windsor ..	8	1	6
Winnersh ..	43	67	46
Wokingham ..	350	590	349
Woodhay ..	2	—	—
Woodley ..	140	223	96
Woolhampton ..	16	23	7
Yattendon ..	12	15	2

HAMPSHIRE.—Totals—In-Patients, 484 ; Out-Patients, 777 ; Casualties, 234.

	I.P.	O.P.	Cas.
Aldershot ..	3	4	4
Basingstoke ..	85	284	24
Baughurst ..	13	9	3
Blackwater ..	17	22	—
Bramley ..	25	17	7
Burghclere ..	7	13	1
Chineham ..	1	—	2
Crondall ..	2	—	1
Crookham ..	4	17	1
Ecchinswell ..	3	2	1
Eversley ..	29	34	14
Farnborough ..	3	—	6
Fleet	11	32	9
Frimley Green ..	1	—	—
Greywell ..	2	1	1
Hannington ..	5	2	2
Hartley Wespall	1	—	1

	I.P.	O.P.	Cas.
Hartley Wintney	34	41	18
Hawley	1	—	7
Hazeley Heath..	—	2	—
Headley.. ..	3	3	—
Heckfield ..	31	11	20
Highclere ..	3	2	—
Hook	11	25	5
Ibworth ..	1	—	—
Kingsclere ..	18	37	1
Little London ..	7	—	5
Long Sutton ..	—	2	2
Mattingley ..	3	2	4
Monk Sherborne	—	—	2
Odiham	27	43	12
Old Basing ..	2	1	—
Pamber Heath ..	3	15	13
Ramsdell ..	1	2	2

	I.P.	O.P.	Cas.
Rotherwick ..	7	9	1
Selbourne ..	—	—	1
Sherfield-on-Loddon ..	18	10	7
Silchester ..	6	19	5
Southampton ..	—	—	3
Stratfieldsaye ..	14	21	5
Stratfield Turgis	4	—	3
Tadley	24	36	18
Upton Grey ..	2	2	1
Up Nateley ..	—	—	1
Warnborough ..	10	12	4
Whitchurch ..	1	3	—
Winchfield ..	1	4	1
Wolverton ..	3	1	—
Yateley	37	37	16

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.—Totals—In-Patients, 76; Out-Patients, 52; Casualties, 29.

	I.P.	O.P.	Cas.		I.P.	O.P.	Cas.		I.P.	O.P.	Cas.
Aylesbury ..	2	—	2	Datchet ..	1	—	—	Langley ..	—	1	—
Beaconsfield ..	3	—	1	Farnham ..	—	—	1	Marlow	39	31	3
Bourne End ..	1	—	—	Great Missenden	—	—	1	Medmenham ..	—	—	3
Buckingham ..	1	—	—	Hambleden ..	2	10	5	Slough	18	4	7
Burnham ..	—	—	2	High Wycombe	6	3	2	Taplow	1	2	—
Chalfont St. Peter	1	—	1	Iver	1	1	1				

OXFORDSHIRE.—Totals—In-Patients, 501; Out-Patients, 771; Casualties, 367.

	I.P.	O.P.	Cas		I.P.	O.P.	Cas.		I.P.	O.P.	Cas.
Benson	1	1	3	Henley	203	347	31	Skirmett ..	—	—	1
Binfield Heath ..	6	10	23	Highmoor ..	2	3	5	Sonning Common	29	54	35
Bix	—	—	2	Ipsden	7	1	4	Sonning Eye ..	4	—	—
Britwell Salome	—	1	1	Kidlington ..	—	—	1	Stoke, North and South ..	8	14	—
Cane End ..	—	1	1	Kidmore End ..	19	11	16	Stoke Row ..	6	—	21
Chalk House Green	—	1	2	Kingwood ..	2	3	12	Stonor	—	1	—
Checkendon ..	13	16	19	Mapledurham ..	9	16	13	Swyncombe ..	2	—	—
Chipping Norton	—	—	1	Nettlebed ..	13	24	37	Tokers Green ..	4	6	6
Dunsden ..	5	5	4	Nuffield ..	2	1	3	Watlington ..	1	1	1
Emmer Green ..	15	37	26	Oxford	3	1	9	Whitchurch ..	30	37	12
Fawley	2	—	—	Play Hatch ..	4	2	3	Woodcote ..	15	24	19
Gallows Tree Common ..	4	9	8	Postcombe ..	—	—	1	Wyfold	3	2	1
Goring	38	79	23	Rotherfield Greys	6	4	6				
Goring Heath ..	7	10	1	Rotherfield Peppard ..	21	22	12				
Harpsden ..	—	3	—	Shiplake ..	17	24	4				

SURREY.—Totals—In-Patients, 63; Out-Patients, 55; Casualties, 14.

	I.P.	O.P.	Cas.		I.P.	O.P.	Cas.		I.P.	O.P.	Cas.
Addlestone ..	—	—	1	Egham	1	1	1	Reigate	3	—	—
Basghot ..	—	—	1	Farnham ..	1	10	—	Redhill	—	—	1
Byfleet	1	—	—	Frimley	—	1	1	Surbiton ..	—	—	1
Camberley ..	55	43	8	Mitcham ..	1	—	—	Windlesham ..	1	—	—

MISCELLANEOUS.—Totals—In-Patients, 243; Out-Patients, 690; Casualties, 380.

SERVICE—Totals—In-Patients, 65; Out-Patients, 90; Casualties, 222.

SUMMARY

	ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL.			BLAGRAVE BRANCH.
	I.P.	O.P.	Cas.	I.P.
READING	2,775	5,982	5,136	423
BERKSHIRE	2,441	4,034	1,612	439
HAMPSHIRE	484	777	234	99
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE ..	76	52	29	20
OXFORDSHIRE ..	501	771	367	107
SURREY	63	55	14	21
MISCELLANEOUS ..	243	690	380	15
O.H.M.S.	65	90	222	—
TOTALS ..	**6,648**	**12,451**	**7,994**	**1,124**

ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL
PAYING PATIENTS BLOCK, "GREENLANDS"

TELEPHONE : READING 2828.

"GREENLANDS" is primarily intended for persons of moderate means.

PATIENTS will be admitted under a member of the Medical Staff of The Hospital, and operations will be performed in the Hospital Theatres.

THE CHARGES FOR ROOMS are :—

In a two-bed room ...	... ...	£11 per week.
In a single-bed room	... ...	£12 ,, ,,

If a case be admitted for less than one week, the usual charges will be :—In a two-bed room, 32/6 per day ; in a single-bed room, 35/-. The minimum charge to be £2 10s.

The Committee have power to raise or lower the charges in exceptional cases.

MEDICAL FEES are a matter for arrangement between the patient's Medical Attendant and the Physician or Surgeon under whom the patient is to be admitted.

This also applies to the Radiologist.

No. extra charges will be made for the following :—

Radium Treatment, Massage, Diathermy, Radiant Heat, Ionisation, Galvanic Bath, Faradism, Pathological Examinations, Orthoptic Treatment, and Electro-cardiography.

An extra charge will be made where special nursing is required.

AMOUNTS RECEIVED FROM TOWNS AND VILLAGES

	£	s.	d.
READING (including Caversham and Tilehurst)	6,966	15	4
COUNTRY (as per list below)	5,500	6	7
Total ...	12,467	1	11

COUNTRY.

	£	s.	d.
Aldermaston	10	6	1
Aldworth	7	13	10
Arborfield	28	14	2
Ascot	1	6	0
Ashampstead	17	15	9
Ashbury	3	0	0
Assenden	3	2	0
Aston Tirrold	2	2	0
Barkham	5	10	0
Basildon	31	10	3
Basingstoke	58	10	1
Baughurst	8	15	1
Bearwood	21	8	0
Beech Hill	25	11	0
Beenham	22	13	10
Binfield	81	17	2
Binfield Heath	10	12	0
Bisham		2	6
Bix	3	10	7
Boxford	28	16	5
Bracknell	187	3	3
Bradfield	38	14	6
Bramley	6	0	0
Bray and Braywick ...	5	5	0
Brightwell	6	9	9
Brimpton	16	0	0
Bucklebury	30	16	1
Burghclere	3	3	0
Burghfield	38	3	0
Calcot	112	0	3
Camberley	5	5	0
Checkendon	37	17	8
Chieveley, Curridge and Snelsmore	2	9	0
Cholsey	14	17	4
Clifton Hampden		2	6
Cold Ash and Ashmore Green	20	5	1
Coleshill		19	0
Compton	12	14	1
Cookham	1	5	0
Coxwell, Little		5	0
Crowthorne	58	2	2
Cumnor		15	0
Donnington and Shaw ...	21	15	1
Dunsden and Play Hatch ...	8	0	1
Earley	224	0	3
Easthampstead	20	7	5
Ecchinswell and Sydmonton	3	15	6
Embrook	1	10	4
Emmer Green	45	13	7
Enborne	7	0	0
Englefield	57	17	7
Eversley	36	18	4
Faringdon	1	12	6
Farley Hill	18	5	0
Farnborough (Hants) ...	7	7	0
Fawley (Bucks)	11	2	1
Finchampstead	74	5	1
Fleet	1	18	2
Frieth		9	7
Frilsham	37	16	11
Fyfield	1	0	0
Gallows Tree Common ...	10	10	0
Garston, East	12	15	0
Goring	145	4	9
Goring Heath	56	19	4
Grazeley	7	3	6
Greenham	13	1	0
Hambleden and Skirmett ...	62	12	0
Hampstead Norris	6	1	6
Hamstead Marshall ...		2	6
Hare Hatch	18	7	0
Harpsden	28	8	8
Hartley Wintney	32	3	9
Harwell	9	1	10
Hawley and Blackwater ...	9	11	4
Headley and Ashford Hill...		5	0
Heckfield	1	16	5
Henley	51	17	6
Hermitage	17	18	4
Highclere		2	6
Highmoor	4	11	8
High Wycombe	8	8	0
Hoe Benham	1	3	6
Hook and Newnham ...	6	0	0
Hungerford	30	14	9
Hurley	2	2	0
Hurst	107	11	10
Ilsley	1	0	0
Inkpen	1	8	6
Ipsden	25	4	9
Kidmore End and District	23	2	3
Kingsclere	67	10	7
Kingston Lisle		7	0
Kintbury	1	7	6
Knowl Hill and Warren Row	16	17	7
Lambourn and Bockhampton	8	4	6
Littlewick Green and Burchetts Green		19	11
Littleworth		7	6
Lockinge	50	0	0
Longcot		14	0
Maidenhead	28	5	2
Mapledurham	21	12	8
Marcham and Dry Sandford	2	2	0

	£	s.	d.
Marlow	17	0	6
Marlston	2	3	6
Mattingley	3	18	10
Medmenham	7	12	8
Midgham	5	17	8
Monk Sherborne, Pamber Heath and Little London	19	14	10
Mortimer and Mortimer Common	100	14	2
Mortimer West End ...	24	1	0
Moulsford	3	8	5
Nettlebed	19	1	3
Newbury	111	6	9
North Stoke	2	2	0
Nuffield and Huntercombe	102	2	0
Odiham	5	5	0
Old Basing	4	8	11
Owlsmoor	3	14	3
Oxford	7	3	2
Padworth	7	16	0
Pangbourne and Tidmarsh	130	7	1
Peasemore	1	1	0
Pinkneys Green	21	3	9
Pishill	2	15	9
Purley	25	4	9
Ramsdell	5	15	3
Remenham	22	19	0
Rotherfield Greys	49	14	1
Rotherfield Peppard ...	75	13	9
Rotherwick	5	5	0
Sandhurst	41	19	5
Sherfield-on-Loddon ...	4	12	6
Shinfield	76	4	7
Shiplake	26	0	9
Shurlock Row	13	11	7
Silchester	12	12	2
Sindlesham	3	3	0
Sonning	74	18	11
Sonning Common	10	18	8
Sotwell	6	15	6
South Stoke	13	13	11
South Warnborough ...	3	10	0
Speen	6	12	10
Spencers Wood	9	14	10
Stanford Dingley	2	14	1
Stockcross	10	10	0
Stoke Row	35	16	0
Stratfieldsaye	6	7	3
Stratfield Turgis	2	12	0
Streatley	220	15	7
Sulham	19	10	2
Sulhamstead	28	15	8
Sunninghill	7	2	3
Sutton Courtenay	1	10	0
Swallowfield and Riseley ...	16	11	11
Swyncombe	5	7	0
Tadley	6	6	0
Thatcham and Crookham...	17	13	11
Theale	63	10	8
Three Mile Cross		2	6
Twyford and Ruscombe ...	51	5	10
Ufton Nervet	6	4	0
Upton Grey	2	15	0
Wallingford	33	6	4
Waltham St. Lawrence ...	36	18	7
Warborough	3	3	0
Warfield	1	0	0
Wargrave and Crazies Hill	112	15	10
Wasing	10	11	6
Welford	5	0	0
Whitchurch (Oxon) ...	33	18	3
White Waltham	1	0	0
Winchfield	9	1	10
Windsor	102	15	8
Winkfield	8	8	0
Winnersh	15	11	7
Wittenham, Long	3	16	4
Wokingham	337	14	1
Woodcote	7	19	1
Woodhay	2	2	0
Woodley	47	16	7
,, (Miles Aircraft Ltd.)	11	17	7
Woolhampton	43	16	11
Woolton Hill	23	0	0
Wootton		6	0
Yateley and Darby Green...	13	18	0
Yattendon	74	8	6
Yorktown	5	9	8
Outside the District ...	511	1	11

HONORARY LIFE GOVERNORS.

1929. Eggleton, G. T., 41, Prince of Wales Avenue, Reading.

1929. Morley, H. T., J.P., 312, Kings Road, Reading.

1931. Tims, F., 10, St. Anne's Road, Caversham.

1946. Cornell, Mrs., 20, Northumberland Avenue, Reading.

LIFE GOVERNOR.

1945. H. Sydney Wright, (Solicitor), 18, Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C.1. (Sir W. F. Jury, deceased).

Progress of the Contributory Scheme 1924-1947

Year.	*Income.*	*Membership.*
1924	**£19,599**	**36,818**
1925	£22,562	40,940
1926	£24,181	44,066
1927	£24,153	49,691
1928	£27,452	52,728
1929	£29,911	59,915
1930	£31,137	64,660
1931	£32,257	67,173
1932	£35,659	70,674
1933	£37,094	72,446
1934	£39,650	75,663
1935	£41,294	79,319
1936	£42,770	83,875
1937	£44,075	84,639
1938	£45,619	87,021
1939	£46,576	87,726
1940	£49,880	86,985
1941	*£53,783	89,740
1942	*£67,216	93,213
1943	*£70,639	96,180
1944	*£71,543	96,892
1945	*£70,840	94,280
1946	*£70,432	95,443
1947	*£70,859	95,973

* This figure does not include the amount received from the Private Patients' Schemes.

TOWNS, VILLAGES, &c., in which the Scheme is in operation.
Associated Hospitals indicated thus —
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BUCKS
OXON
BERKS
HANTS
SURREY
River Thames
WALLINGFORD
HENLEY
READING
NEWBURY
ODIHAM
FLEET
FRIMLEY
Brightwell
Sotwell
Swyncombe
Crowmarsh
Gifford
Pishill
Stonor
Skirmett
Frieth
Fawley
Hambleden
Cholsey
Aston Tirrold
North Stoke
Ipsden
Nettlebed
Bix
Highmoor
Stoke Row
Moulsford
South Stoke
Checkendon
Remenham
Hurley
Bisham
Catmore
Farnborough
Streatley
Woodcote
Goring
Peppard
Kidmore End
Harpsden
Crowsley Park
Lambourn
Brightwalton
Aldworth
Basildon
Goring Heath
Shiplake
Knowl Hill
Eastbury
Chaddleworth
Beedon
Whitchurch
Dunsden
Wargrave
Crazies Hill
White Waltham
East Garston
Peasmore
Ashampstead
Mapledurham
Waltham St Law
Shottesbrook
Gt. Shefford
Pangbourne
Purley
Emmer Green
Ruscombe
Twyford
Leckhampstead
Hampstead Norris
Yattendon
Caversham
Sonning
Welford
Chieveley
Tidmarsh
Sulham
Woodley
Wickham
Frilsham
Bradfield
Tilehurst
Earley
Hurst
Warfield
Hermitage
Winterbourne
Curridge
Stanford Dingley
Englefield
Theale
Binfield
Boxford
Bucklebury
Embrook
Bracknell
Cold Ash
Wokingham
Donnington
Beenham
Sulhamstead
Shinfield
Bearwood
Easthampstead
Hungerford
Shaw
Ufton Nervet
Burghfield
Grageley
Arborfield
Speen
Thatcham
Midgham
Three Mile
Stockcross
Woolhampton
Spencer's Wood
Barkham
Inkpen
Kintbury
Padworth
Swallowfield
Crowthorne
Hampstead Marshall
Enborne
Greenham
Brimpton
Aldermaston
Mortimer
Beech Hill
Finchampstead
Collingwood
Wasing
West Woodhay
Newtown
Headley
Sandhurst
Camberley
Silchester
Eversley
Yateley
East Woodhay
Stratfield Saye
Woolton Hill
Ashford Hill
Tadley
Stratfield
Turgis
Heckfield
Blackwater
Highclere
Ecchinswell
Baughurst
Bramley
Sherfield-on-Loddon
Hawley
Frimley Green
Burghclere
Kingsclere
Pamber
Hartley Wespall
Mattingley
Sydmonton
Wolverton
Ramsdell
Rotherwick
Farnborough
Mytchett
Hannington
Monk Sherborne
Hook
N. Warnborough
Elvetham
Upton Grey
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SOME WAYS OF HELPING THE HOSPITAL :

1. Remember the Hospital in your will. (See Page 11.)

2. Organise a Concert, Whist Drive or Dance in aid of the Hospital funds.

3. Send gifts of Fruit, Vegetables, Eggs, Groceries and Tinfoil.

4. Speak well of the Hospital to your friends.

5. Come and see the Hospital.
   (If you send your name to the House Governor he will arrange to include you in a conducted tour on a Saturday afternoon.)

Will those who receive a copy of this Report kindly pass it on to a friend, with a view to increasing interest in the work of the Hospital.